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of the former and an increase of the latter. The movement cityward draws the negroes of the border States north, where the largest number of cities lie. For this reason it would have been useful to show how far the northward migration of the negroes from the border States, which the author has established, has really been a movement to the northern cities.

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THE RUSSIAN CENSUS.

In the *Contemporary Review* for December, 1897 (pages 837 to 845), is an interesting article by E. J. Dillon on *The First Russian Census*. In 1895 the sum of 3,916,682 roubles, or about \$2,000,000, was voted for a general census. The task was an enormous one, requiring the highest executive ability. This fell to M. Troïnsky. The population is extremely heterogeneous, differing in religion and language. A portion of the country is also inaccessible, for there are villages, as in the Caucasus, which are reported to be accessible only in the heat of summer, while others, in Northern Siberia, can only be reached in the depth of winter. In the government of Moscow there are regions larger than Yorkshire in England in which not a single carriage road is to be found. Over one hundred million leaflets were distributed, these papers weighing 1060 tons. The census was taken on January 28th (O. S.) of this year.

The population of the Russian Empire and the Grand Duchy of Finland numbers 129,211,114 souls, of whom —

94,188,750	inhabit the 50 Governments of European Russia.
9,442,590	“ “ 10 “ “ Poland.
9,723,553	“ “ 11 “ “ Poland Caucasus.
5,731,732	“ “ 9 “ “ Siberia.
3,415,174	“ “ 5 “ “ The Steppe Regions.
4,175,101	“ the Provinces of Transcaspia and of Turkestan.
6,413	“ Kiva and Boukhara.
2,527,801	“ Finland.
129,211,114	

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